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Detroit Whitefield-Grace United Methodist Church Records, 1899-1987

History Note:

Grace Methodist Episcopal Church was founded in 1860. Whitefield Methodist Episcopal Church was created by the 1921 merger of the Warren and Tireman Avenue churches. Whitefield and Grace merged in 1970 and remained in existence until 1988.

Scope Note:

In addition to History Files on the churches, the collection contains records for both Grace and Whitefield and the combined church of baptisms and marriages, church membership, women's organizations, etc.

Extent:

3.6 linear feet (ca. 7,200 pages)

Access Restrictions:

The collection is open to research.

Restrictions on Use:

Photocopying is handled by the staff and may be limited in certain instances. Before using any material for publication from this collection a formal request for permission to publish is expected and required.

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Appointments List

Detroit Grace

- 1891-1904: D. Burnham Tracy
- 1904-1905: To be supplied
- 1905-1906: To be supplied
- 1906-1907: Charles Simpson
- 1907-1908: To be supplied
- 1908-1909: Charles Simpson
- 1909-1910: To be supplied
- 1910-1911: To be supplied
- 1911-1912: To be supplied
- 1912-1913: Unknown
- 1913-1914: John B. Oliver
- 1914-1915: Lloyd M. Blakely
- 1915-1919: Edgar Merrill Brown
- 1919-1921: Erwin King
- 1921-1925: Ralph E. Raycraft
- 1925-1932: George A. Bowles
- 1932-1946: Mont C. Oliver
- 1944-1945: Floyd W. Porter
- 1946-1948: Frank L. Fitch
- 1948-1951: Frederick C. Vosburg
- 1951-1962: Harry T. Howard
- 1962-1970: James Kenneth Hoffmaster

Detroit Warren

- 1909-1911: Sidney D. Eva
- 1911-1912: William M. Young
- 1912-1915: Peter Isaac Osborne
- 1915-1919: Clement Ainge
- 1919-1921: Ezra A. Cross

Detroit Tireman

- 1919-1921: Clement Ainge

Detroit Whitefield

- 1921-1926: John A. Yeoman
- 1926-1928: Philip Ray Norton
- 1928-1931: James S. Steininger
- 1931-1933: Frank H. Cookson
- 1933-1937: [Thomas M. Pryor](#)
- 1937-1940: Leroy I. Lord
- 1940-1948: Arthur E. Smith
- 1948-1957: Reinhardt E. Niemann
- 1957-1962: Arthur L. Leach
- 1962-1964: Richard C. Raines
- 1964-1970: Harold R. Brown
- 1970-1974: Horace Thurston
- 1974-1982: Otto F. Hood

Appointments List

- 1982-1986: Sondra B. Willobee
- 1986-1987: Otto F. Hood
- 1987-1988: M. Shirley Jones

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Box 2	Detroit Grace <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Church Records<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Baptisms, Marriages, and Membership<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ 1960-1969• Dinner Honoring Rev. Harry Howard, 1962• Grace Men's Club Chronicle, 1940• History File (2 folders)• "In Remembrance" Book
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Box 8	Detroit Whitefield <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quarterly Conference Reports<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 1953-1963○ 1963-1970• United Bible Class, 1944-1950• Woman's Society of Christian Service Minutes<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 1940-1952○ 1952-1959
Box 9	Detroit Whitefield <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Woman's Society of Christian Service Minutes<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 1959-1970 Detroit Whitefield-Grace <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Administrative Board<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 1970-1977○ 1978-1983○ 1984-1987• Church Records<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Baptisms, Membership, Marriages, 1970-1985• History File• United Methodist Women, 1978-1984